

**Amendment to the Specification**

Please amend the Cross-Reference to Related Applications to read as follows:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a division of copending Application No. 09/585,146, filed June 1, 2000, entitled "Method for Examination of a Surface Layer", now U.S. Patent 6,656,678 B1, the entire disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.